# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

GOLDEN BETHUNE-HILL, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

VIRGINIA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, *et al.*,

Defendants,

v.

VIRGINIA HOUSE OF DELEGATES, et al.,

Intervenor-Defendants.

Civil Action No. 3:14-cv-00852-REP-AWA-BMK

## PLAINTIFFS' SECOND MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES AND LITIGATION EXPENSES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 54, Plaintiffs move for an award of attorneys' fees and reasonable litigation expenses. 42 U.S.C. § 1988 and 52 U.S.C. § 10310(e) allow the prevailing party in a voting-rights action under § 1983 to recover attorneys' fees and reasonable litigation expenses, including expert fees. Plaintiffs sought declaratory and injunctive relief under § 1983 for the Defendants' violation of the U.S. Constitution. The Court awarded Plaintiffs this relief in its Memorandum Opinion and Order of June 26, 2018 (ECF Nos. 234, 235). Following a phase of litigation over the implementation of a remedial map, the Court adopted a remedial House of Delegates plan drawn by a Special Master, which was used in the 2019 primary elections (ECF Nos. 361, 362).

The Supreme Court subsequently dismissed Defendant-Intervenors' appeal of this Court's decisions as to both the merits of Plaintiffs' claims and the Court's order adopting a remedial plan. On July 19, 2019, the Supreme Court issued a mandate entering judgement in this matter. Consequently, Plaintiffs respectfully request an award of their attorneys' fees and reasonable litigation expenses.

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 2nd day of August, 2019, I filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will then send a notification of such filing to the counsel of record in this case.

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